## BORGLUM ON STOVER'S DREAMS of the park officials, and the details of its

HEAD OF PARK DEPARTMENT CALLED TOTALLY INEFFICIENT.

His Statements of Pacts Disputed and

Gutzon Borglum, chairman of the Central Park rehabilitation committee, wrote suffered last year, is directly traceable to Mayor Gaynor yesterday that "there is not efficiency enough in the management of the parks of Manhattan to keep a \$3,000 business out of a bankruptcy court for three months." and that as to Commissioner Stover and Landscape Stover, although he had strongly urged me Architect Samuel Parsons "it seems an unpardonable public offence that a novice park work could dismiss such a public servant." This is the letter:

APRIL 5, 1911. Hon. William J. Gaynor, Mayor City Hall,

DEAR SIR-As chairman of the Central Park rehabilitation committee and there-fore closely in touch with park matters for many months, and before that chairman of Central Park committees, covering his work. a period of about four years, permit me a word bearing upon the accusations pub-lished to-day by Mr. Stover against Mr. Samuel Parsons, landscape architect for

satisfaction with Mr. Parsons's services in there is "something very rotten in Denhe boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond." This is true Stoverian method of procedure

He then complains of Mr. Parsons's helplessness and inaction and makes the re-markable charge, submitted to him by the municipal research, that Mr Parsons has been excused for 29 per cent of the time when other employees of the department are expected to be on duty. It is a pity that with the splendid service the bureau of municipal research can reader such a city as New York in its present period of uplift an item so paltry in its criticism of a high official's service, and be used to measure his service by the time spent within the doors of his office, as with other employees of the department

Surely Mr. Stover does not stop dreaming as he steps out of his office, and yet his exacting executive duties more really stop when he leaves his office than can that of the designer of our parks. I doubt not, however, that the report of the bureau of municipal research was little more than one of many, and has been blindly seized on by the Commissioner as an excuse

tive work projected for Central Park, Riverside Park, the extension of the Drive present Commissioner's term that had any constructive sense in it—and I am not unmindful of many of Mr. Stover's dreams-Parsons or some previous Commissioner.

the words "constructive suggestions." Since Mr. Stover has been Commissioner system into the Hudson at the cost of millions. He has roofed over the New York Central tracks throughout the entire Riverside Parkway for the sole purpose of reliev heretofore unused land as such to the East Side and has given New York city a great open air theatre with its natural amphitheatre and seating capacity for a hundred thousand people free of charge. He has thousand people free of charge, with hubbles and heretofore unused land as such to the East needed manure pit, for which the money

Last year a \$100,000 high pressure water \$100,000 worth of property was allowed to dry up and go to ruin. The Park Com-missioner could have saved that It was missioner could have saven the park was to hold its moisture and to hol llers, loafers and vagabonds of the city was not opened for systematic play.
was not secured to the city as a park recklessly, without management or government, thrown open to anybody and every body who wished to use it precisely as they pleased, and hardly a shrub in the entire The park was worn bare where people wished to use it, and the rest of it was dried up for lack of attention the Park Commissioner, Mr. Stover, might have given it. His plea that he had no hose or appropriaon for it is not a valid excuse. Any man icle of management, or, if not that, a particle of confidence on the part of his su-periors in the Board of Estimate and Appordomment, could have secured money for some in a week's time. The landscape archi-sect not only called attention to these things but actively urged the Park Com-missioner to do something about it.

The large gift of rhododendrons in the park to-day became the property of the city through the direct influence of Samuel Parsons. He more than any other man has urged upon the city authorities during the last ten years that the park was described in the last ten years that the park land itself was below grade, that it was without water and that the trees required proper surgery, that the shrubs were suffering from old age and needed replanting. To Samuel Parsons's report to Mr. Willcox of October 13, 1902, were affixed the names of N. L. Britton, S. E. Fernow and J. A. Pettigrew. Again as Park Commissioner, in 1907, he orted on the condition of the park, and urged upon the city certain expenditures. These expenditures were not confined to soil, but referred to planting, water and general care of the park.

The condition of the park last year after

Mr. Stover had been in charge for one year city was so generally criticised, and that criticism, supported by the reports of ex-Commissioner Willcox, and information in the possession of the Parks and Play-grounds Association, created the Central

The drainage of the park, so necessary in Central Park, which is all hills or undulating ground and must be drained, has been urged and reurged by Samuel Parsons. The rehabilitation of the soil has

CITY CREDIT AND INCOME TAX eport are still unknown to them unless they have been secured from the budge

agitation the committee kept up with Mr. MAYOR OBJECTS TO "FROM WHATEVER SOURCE DERIVED."

> Why Not Make It Clear, He Writes to Gov Dix, That the Revenues of States and Cities Are Not to Be Encroached On by the Federal Government.

Mayor Gaynor wrote vesterday to Gov. Dix agains: the income tax amendment, which he said would reduce the value of outstanding State and city bonds and raise the interest rate the State and city would have to pay on future issues The letter says:

question of ratifying the proposed amendcause I did not believe he possessed a parti-cle of executive ability. When you made States empowering the Congress of the the appointment, however, I became one of United States to lay and collect an income tax, I feel it my duty as Mayor of the city of New York to say a word of caution against its ratification. While I am heartily in favor of enabling the national Government to lay and collect an income tax if necessary believe in criticising the man in the saddle to the national revenue, I am not in favo nor the man who is carrying the load as of the adoption of the present proposes constitutional amendment to that effect to a grave question, to say the very least whether income from State and municipal bonds could not be taxed under it. The proposed amendment is as follows:

> ever source derived." Why were they put gainsaid that the ordinary and natural sense of these words includes income from any and all sources. And when you read the whole section there is no detraction Congress may lay a tax on incomes, what-

enong the several States and without regard

ever source they may be derived from.

But it is argued that if this proposed amendment be adopted the Supreme Court of the United States will, by a process of learned "construction," as the lawyers call it, hold that it does not mean what it apparently, or plainly, says, but something different and less, namely, that an income tax may be laid on incomes from all sources "except State and municipal bonds." It is said that the Supreme Court will abandor meaning, for the reason that as the law as declared by its own decisions. the national Government has no power o tax the bonds or securities issued by But who can assure us of that?

The opposite contention is that these words, "from whatever source derived," cut away the effect of such decisions, and that the court will so hold. We all know that your predecessor, Gov. Hughes, now a distinguished member of that court, Legislature last January he advised against the ratification of the proposed amendment for the reason that in plain words it included all sources of income, and would have to be so construed by And all over the country competent Judges

Why should a constitutional provision of concededly doubtful meaning be adopted? The only stumbling block to the adoption this provision is its doubtful meaning No one wants to give power to the national Government to tax income from bonds of the States and their municipal corporations. Why, then, should not the Congress constitutional amendment, or propose a new one. doing away with all doubt?

able to see otherwise than that the mere doubt about its meaning will affect the price of outstanding State and municipal bonds, and compel States and cities to increase the interest rate on all bonds issued by them after its adoption to the extent of the income tax that may be probably levied. That doubt would linger until a case involving it were got to the Supreme Court of the United States and decided. That might not be in ten years or a generation from now. It could not be until the Congress had passed an income which is on top and something else than and especially when it can be avoided with little trouble and no delay?

W. J. GAYNOR, Mayor. NO COMMENT FROM DIX.

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ALBANY. April 5.—Gov. Dix. who favored the income tax amendment in his January annual message to the Legislature, had nowhing to say to-night regarding Mayor Gaynor's letter.

The resolution to support the amendment, which was introduced by Senator Wagner, has been reported favorably by the Senate Judiciary Committee and is on the order of final passage in the Senate. It was a special order for debate and final passage in the Senate a week ago Tuesday, but its consideration was lost sight of in the excitement attending the Capitol fire on that morning. The passage of the resolution had been anticipated up to a few days ago.

QUEBEC BRIDGE CONTRACT. Reconstruction of Structure That Col-

partly built bridge which collapsed in August, 1907, was let to-day to the St. Lawrence Bridge Company by the Minister of Railways and Canals. The contract price is \$8,650,000, 15 per cent. of which, or \$1,279,500, was deposited with the Canadian Government in cash by the bridge company as security.

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The bridge is to be completed before December 31, 1915. It is to be primarily a railroad bridge, but it will have two four foot sidewalks.

The St. Lawrence Bridge Company is a combination of the Dominion Bridge Company of Montreal and the Canadian Bridge Company of Walkerville, Ont., both of which guarantee the contract. The St. Lawrence Bridge Company will erect a plant costing \$1,000,000 near Montreal to carry on the work. The steel will come from Pittsburg.

DR. COOK'S LATEST.

Protests Against Celebration at Brooklyn Institute in Honor of Peary.

Prof. Franklin W. Hooper, president of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, yesterday received a letter from institute and the Peary Arctic Club at

institute and the Peary Arctic Club at the Brooklyn Academy of Music this evening in honor of Pear Admiral Peary on the second anniversary of his reaching the north pole.

Dr. Cook says that his aim is not to challenge Peary's polar claims or to fortify his own. He then goes on to make charges of alleged disgraceful acts on the part of Peary and his associates.

Prof. Hooper said that the directors would ignore Dr. Cook's charges and that nothing he could say or do would receive the slightest consideration by the institute. Dr. Cook's letter was submitted to District Attorney Clarke and he said that if any one requested him to take action upon it he would do so.

Revenue Cutter Hudson Disabled. The revenue cutter Hudson blew out

TALK OF LONG AIR RACE. Flying Match From Washington to Be mont Park May Be Tried.

It was said at the Aero Club of America yesterday that an aeroplane race from Washington to the Belmont Park aerodrome may be a feature of a meet that is being arranged for May 19, 20 and 21 The Aero Club has been asked to cooperate with Washington in organizing such a cross-country flight. It is the purpose to induce towns along the route to offer prizes for the best time made over various legs of the course. The route planned would take the aviators over the Chastanka and Delaware have seed Chesapeake and Delaware bays and the mouth of New York harbor. The distance would be approximately 250 miles. It is calculated that the aerial route could be covered in about three hours less time than that made by train

GOV. DIX'S PLAN.

He Suggests the Drafting of Important

Bills During the Recess. ALBANY, April 5. Gov. Dix conferred to-day with Senators Wagner and Fraw-that the park in its present condition ley, Assemblyman A. F. Smith, leader looked like "Dead Sea fruit," and said the lower house, and Speaker Frisbie of the Assembly, and it is the plan to had given the Police Commissioner do as much work as possible in the recess directions as to stopping abuses in the of the Legislature on the drafting of bills parks. for the important legislation of the session in order that an adjournment may be effected at as early a date as possible. Gov. Dix is hopeful that the Legisla-ture may end early in May, after three weeks or a little more of hard work. The annual appropriation bill is 90 per cent. iraffed and the conference discussed the drafted and the conference discussed the various measures recommended in the

Governor's messages.

Gov. Dix has no idea as yet whether it will be possible to give the extended consideration necessary to the New York city Charter amendments desired by Mayor Gaynor. He does not believe there is under consideration a plan to

VETOED BY GOV. DIX.

Bill Appropriating \$50,000 for National G. A. R. Encampment.

ALBANY, April 5 .- Gov. Dix to-night etoed the bill of Assemblyman C. W. Phillips appopriating \$50,000 for the promotion of the success of the National G. A. R. encampment to be held in Rochester in August next, giving as his reason that it was understood previous to the recent disaster in the Capitol that the bill was to be recalled and held until the annual appropriations could be de-termined upon. Owing to the fire this was not done. In view of the fact that the amount of the annual budget has not yet been definitely settled, and with-out passing upon the merits of the ap-propriation, the Governor therefore dis-

propriation. the Governor therefore dis-approved the bill.

The Governor also vetoed the bill of Assemblyman Schifferdecker of Kings, an escheat bill for the relief of Emil Rieso, because he says there was ample author-ity under the provisions of the public lands law for the accomplishment of the purpose of the measure through the State Land Board without this special legislation.

Bills Signed by Gov. Dix. ALBANT, April 5 .- Gov. Dix has signed the following bills:

Senator Burd's, authorizing the apcointment of a librarian at a salary of \$2,500 for the Supreme Court library in Buffalo.

Mr. Shepparson's, amending the State If this amendment be ratified by a sum-cient number of States to adopt it I am not pure cheese to cover cheese in which food law by extending the definition of almonds, peanuts, walnuts, salt, olives, tomatoes and onions are used, as long

as these ingredients do not exceed 25 per cent. of the bulk.

Mr. Reilly's, amending the charter of cities of the second class relative to the funded debt by allowing interest and principal of water bonds to be paid out of the water rates.

Senator White's, amending the general corporation law to allow banks whose charters have lapsed to apply to the Supreme Court for an order to file certificates reviving charter.

ALBANT, April 5 .- Gov. Dix to-day received the resignation of Sheriff Henry received the resignation of Sheriff Henry
F. Jerge of Erie county, who, it is understood, is to become Deputy State Excise
Commissioner for Erie county. The
Governor immediately appointed John
W. Henry of Buffalo as Sheriff to succeed
Mr. Jerge. Mr. Henry was accompanied
by William H. Fitzpatrick, chairman of
the Erie county Democratic committee,
and ,immediately filed his appointment,
with Secretary of State Lazansky. Mr.
Henry is treasurer of the Erie county
Democratic committee.

Ne One Has Asked for Constan's Appeintment to Supreme Court.

Albany, April 5.—No recommendation
has been received by the Governor for
the appointment of Daniel F. Cohalan as
a Supreme Court Justice to fill the vaceancy caused by the resignation of United
States Senator James A. O'Gorman.
Gov. Dix will be guided largely in filling
the vacancy by the recommendations
which he expects to be made to him by
the New York City Bar Association.

Beputy Excise Commissioners Named.

ALBANY April 5.—W W Farley to de
HUGH M'LAUGHLIN FR EE.

Not one of them screamed as an American child might have done under similar
circumstances and it didn't take more
than a minute or so for their curiosity
oget the better of their fear. Then too
Gom Yung and Gim Fau were attired
in new wistaria gold embroidered coats
of their own which topped trouserettes
that would make any harem skirt yet
worn look absolutely dowdy.
Lillie Lee, who insisted on writing her
name for fear reporters wouldn't spell
it right and confessed that she was 11
years old, said that her receipts for the
day amounted to \$59. She sat in a little
square booth all by herself and sold fans
and teacups and yellow bedragoned
fags at genuine fair prices.

Mr. Pang said that the receipts from
sales for the first three days amounted
to \$1,500. This did not, he explained,
include any of the sums pledged in the
number of the county in the proposition books which are
being circulated by clergymen and merchants and pretty girls.

HUGH M'LAUGHLIN FR EE. F. Jerge of Erie county, who, it is under-

lapsed Goes to Canadian Concern.

Ottawa, April 5.—The contract for the construction of the new Quebec bridge across the St. Lawrence, to replace the New York City Bar Association.

Deputy Excise Commissioners Named

ALBANY, April 5 .- W. W. Farley to-day announced the following appointments Thomas F. McAvoy for New York county, to succeed Moses M. McKee, at an annual salary of \$5,000; William J. Carey of Rochester for Monroe county, to succeed Lewis D. Clements, at an annual salary of \$2,500. of special deputy excise commissioners

For a State Hall of Records. ALBANY, April 5 .- That the State should

erect a hall of records which would contain copies of all original laws, documents tain copies of all original laws, documents and certificates and valuable letters of a historical character is the suggestion made to-day by Secretary of State Lazansky, who says that no matter what the cost would be the State would be fortifying itself against such calamities as visited the Capitol one week ago to-day.

Dean Bailey May Be Commissioner of Agriculture.

April 5.-Dean Liberty Dr. Frederick A. Cook protesting against Bailey of the State school of agriculthe celebration under the direction of the ture at Cornell University has been asked by Gov. Dix to accept the position of State Commissioner of Agriculture in place of Raymond A. Pearson, whose term expires on April 23. The salary is \$5,000 a year. Dean Bailey has not indicated as yet whether he will accept.

MORNINGSIDE PARK RUINED

PETITION AGAINST STOVER LAID BEFORE THE MAYOR.

He Bristles Up in Defence of His "Play ground"-If It Is to Be Closed Because Hoodlums Anney Women Barpard and St. Luke's Should Be Closed.

That the playground privileges given

by the Park Commissioner last summer have made Morningside Park a nuisance to the neighborhood and ruined it as a park was the gist of a petition signed by more than 1,500 residents of the Morningside section and presented to Mayor Gaynor by a delegation yesterday. The petition had been exposed in a drug store for signatures, and had been publis as a result, which led the Mayor to scold the delegation for bringing him a petition that had been given to the public some days before. He admitted, however, later that he had the matter in mind and

The petition says that Mr. Stover has made the park an athletic field; that its beauty has been destroyed, its sward ruined, the shrubbery broken; that it is invaded by hoodlums; that the mothers and children who used it as a breathing place have been driven off by the rough sports: the noise and tumult have been unendurable and worse on Sundays than on week days. Wherefore the petitioners ask that it be restored to its proper use as a park, its damaged lawns and shrubbery repaired and rough and noisy sports there is under consideration a plan to adjourn early and then give consideration to the proposed charter at an extraordiand children who pass through it after

Among the signers of the petition are Bishop Greer, the Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Stires, the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks, the Rev. Dr. William M. Grosvenor, Archdeacon Nelson, George Macculloch Miller, president of St. Luke's Hospital; Will N. Harben, the staff of St. Luke's and several members of the Columbia faculty.

The delegation included Mrs. Silas Wright, Miss Georgia Penfield, S. N. Penfield, R. T. Stout, Miss Isabelle Levison, J. A. Morris and John Fitzgerald. The members told of robberies and indescribable insults committed in the park at night, which they said had made the women of the neighborhood avoid the region after dark.

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Park Commissioner Stover heard about these complaints later. He declared with vehemence that the playground in Morningside Park had been placarded with stipulations that only soft balls be used there. He said he was getting the parks policed much more rigidly than of yore, and spoke of the arrest and handcuffing of two boys who romped on the grass in a city park. This, he said, had brought criticism for cruelty upon him. He was between two millstones, children's societies and park enthusiasts.

With reference to the complaint in the petition about hoodlums annoying women in Morningside Park Mr. Stover said that the nurses at St. Luke's Hospital and the Barnard College students got as much attention from hoodlums as did women about Morningside Park, and that if his park playground was to be closed for attracting hoodlums the college and the hospital ought also to be closed for the same reason.

BIG DRAGON DIDN'T MARCH Rain Too Much for It-Doyers Street Fair Prospers.

The forty Chinaman power fire breath ing dragon specially imported for a mascot for the fair now going on all over Doyers street for the benefit of the famine sufferers didn't parade yesterday because of the rain.

in and out among the Pang cigarette booth and the Shanghai embroidery booth and the flower booth and the ice cream tables, however, with a realistic wiggle that caused little Gom Yung and Gim Fau and Ah Sid and Chu Ning and John Lee and a dozen other tiny Celestials to rub their round eyes with wonder and then hide their heads under the near-

HUGH M'LAUGHLIN FREE.

Grandnephew of Old Democratic Leader Gets Annuiment of Marriage.

Justice Kell y in the Supreme Court. Brooklyn, yesterday signed a decree annulling the marriage of Hugh McLaughlin, the seventeen-year-old grandnephew and namesake of the old Democratic leader of Kings county, to Maud A. Mc-Intyre, also 17 years old, daughter of James McIntyre of McIntyre and Heath, the vaudeville team.

The annulment suit was brought by Mrs. Mary N. McLaughlin, as guardian Mrs. Mary N. McLaughlin, as guardian for the youthful bridegroom. The young couple met at Sayville, L. I. last summer and after a brief courtship decided to get married. In September they went over to Jersey City and got a license, but without any intention to have the ceremony performed right away, according to McLaughlin's statement to the court. The clerk, however, as McLaughlin says, after seeing he had about \$70 with him, persuaded him to get married at once and conducted the young couple to the office of a justice of the peace close by and the ceremony was performed. The parents on both sides failed to give their approval and the couple quickly separated, McLaughlin returning to his mother and the bride going off with her father on his theatrical tour.

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UNIONS DECLINE

To Enter a New Arbitration Agreement Unless All Are In.

Roswell D. Tompkins, secretary of the New York Building Trades Council, twenty-six of the unions in which have been invited by the Board of Governors of the Building Trades Employers Association to send delegates to a joint convention of employers and employees to formulate a new arbitration agreement, reported vesterday that by a referendum vote these unions have turned down the proposition. This action was taken because the employers would only confer with the unions with which they are at peace. Among the unions which are ignored by the employers in the invita-

ignored by the employers in the invitation are the Housesmiths and Bridgemen's Union and the different unions of
painters. The locals of the Bricklayers
Union are not affiliated with the Building
Trades Council or any other central body.
The Housesmiths and Bridgemen's
Union has for some years not been recogmized by the associated employers. One
of the trade associations of employers,
which employs housesmiths, is inclined
to recognize their union, but the others
are against it. The proposition for a
conference came first from the unions in
the Building Trades Council, but they
wanted to have all the unions in the council recognized. The proposition of the wanted to have all the unions in the council recognized. The proposition of the employers was for the representatives of the twenty-six unions to get together with the employers and form the arbitration plan and at the same time try to bring about harmony between the unions and the employers.

This is considered a critical time for the unions in the building trades, as a larger number of building mechanics than usual are idle and there is great competition for work. The situation, as far

petition for work. The situation, as far as the unions is concerned is considered so serious that pressure is being brought by the conservative members to bring about a new vote on the question of accepting the proposition of the employers.



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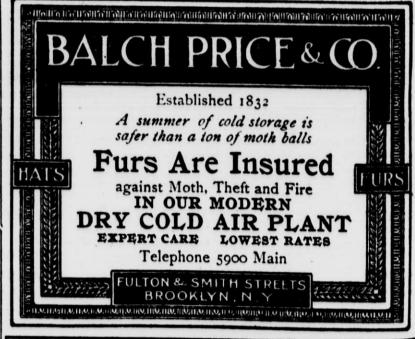
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Stover caused him to open negotiations with the Agricultural Department, which Credit Given to Mr. Parsons for All enterties work.—Borgium is Chairman of Park Bahabilitation. the loss through drought such as the park the landscape architect who, Mr. Stover says, is without "constructive suggestion."

I did not wish at this time to criticise our Commissioner. When you asked me to do so. I declined to recommend Mr. to speak for him. I declined to do so be the heads of a committee to give him a dinner, which was given at the Plaza, and I have consistently and at the expense of onsiderable time and money supported

ominittee. These investigations at

him in any good work proposed. long as there is any possibility of his doing I then urged upon you the appointment of a commission and a thorough investigation of the park government of New York muel Parsons, landscape architect for city. You did not agree with me. I am not acquainted with other departments of the city government, but if the same morale exists in the rest of New York's official life.

management of the parks of Manhattan to keep a \$3,000 business out of a bankruptcy court for three months, and it should have become patent to the city officials long ago that fifteen or twenty busy private citizens would not spend time and money month in and month out, watching closely the city's property, unless they had a very definite and satisfactory reason for con-

tinuing their interest No government exists in the Park Department. There is no management or responsibility. The head of the department wholly lacks the confidence of his subordinates.

Mr. Parsons worked under Andrew H. Green and that group of men who have given us a \$500,000,000 property. He knows probably better than any living and his incidental advice bearing upon it is so valuable in itself that for him to be classed as a laborer whose time should be checked with that "of the other employees of the department" is a criticism that should severely condemn whoever

Mr. Stover continues: "In my judgment for the restoration of Central Park I have my Parsons has not demonstrated his fitness to discharge the important duties for advice or suggestions. For this work I for advice or suggestions. For this work I employed G. B. Maynadier of the bureau of structive suggestions; on the contrary he soils of the Department of Agriculture.\*

has served only to obstruct those that I M. Stover in that statement, as in a number have made and which under the law I am of other statement, as in a number of other statements, probably because he required to submit for his approval." I has forgotten, is saying what is absolutely would like to say that in my four years of intimate acquaintance with Central Park brought about the employment of Mr. I never heard of one single bit of construction. Maynadier were made by my committee Maynadier were made by my committee and the plan of rehabilitating the soil me heartily supported by if not actually employment of Mr. Maynadier, over which tilated by Samuel Parsons. I have Mr. Stover consulted with me constantly.

to Central Park.

Mr. Parsons's plan of rehabilitating the park, which Mr. Stover says he placed no reliance upon, was one of adding top soil. Having gone carefully into this matter in a wholly ex parte way and made secret and sealed reports to the budget committee permit me to say at this time that Central Park contains an average of 80 per cent. of sand and about 16 per cent. to 17 per cent of clay. Both of these are sterile. The aide Parkway for the sole purpose of reliev-ing the congestion in Central Park! He has built swimming and wading pools; he has sometimes less. This soil is so loose that built swimming and wading pools; he has added to the hilly nature of the park it ofed the lower reservoir for a playground:
will neither hold water nor artificial ferhas practically turned over 700 acres of
tilizer applied to its surface, as will for
tilizer applied to its surface, as will for

delighted the populace with bubbles and pipe dreams for nearly a year and a half, yet he has not rotted enough manure to fertilize a ten acre lot, nor mustered sufficient courage to contract for a new and clean courage to contract for a new and which is on top and something else than academic treatment is necessary for these

700 acres. Central Park soil needs clay, it needs system remained absolutely idle for the substance and it needs humus. It needs lack of a little hose, and from \$50,000 to something besides dreams, an academic something besides dreams, an academic something besides dreams. treatment or a hypodermic injection. Its soil needs more consistency to enable it to hold its moisture and to hold whatever

In conclusion I want to say I do not doubt Mr. Stover could secure a more quiescent which the citizens were privileged to somehow shape those glorious dreams our department if not our park has proven itself landscape architect, some one who could so fertile in. But that the Commissioner could secure an architect mature in the peculiar service our park needs—experienced in the work that produced under Andrew H. Green a park property unsurpassed anywhere, is more than doubtful and it seems an unpardonable public offence that a novice in park work could dismiss such a public servant. Respectfully yours, GUTZON BORGLUM, Chairman Central Park Rehabilitation Com-

THE RESOILING CONTRACTS.

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Parsons declined to talk yesterday about Mr. Stover's letter to the Mayor. A good many of his friends are expected to be at the Park board meeting to-day.

Mr. Stover said he would stand upon the statements in his letter. He declared that he had, intended no imputation of grafting by Mr. Parsons. Of his statement that "all concerned are now under suspicion of attempting" by the proposal to resoil Central Park "to further the interests of a particular local company," he said that he himself was under such suspicion quite as much as Mr. Parsons. He had heard of a wild story in circulation to the effect that the dinner at the Plaza given to him last year had been given with the intention to mollify him and dispose him favorably toward the resoiling proposition.

proposition.

Mr. Stover had yesterday in his possession correspondence and contracts relative to the resoiling of the park. He declined to make the papers public. Henry Bruère of the Bureau of Municipal Research took the papers to him and said they would make interesting reading in connection with the resoiling project. It was said that these papers were to go to the Commissioner of Accounts.

Alarm Out for L. J. Bernstein, Lawyer. A general alarm has been sent out by the police of the East 104th street station Commissioner Willcox, and information in the possession of the Parks and Playgrounds Association, created the Central Park Rehabilitation Committee and caused the investigations that we made.

Permit me to say, Mr. Mayor, that the poor condition of the water supply of Central Park was brought to the attention of the Parks and Playgrounds Association by Mr. Parsons two years ago, and it was through his suggestions that the Parks and Playgrounds Association that the Parks and Playgrounds Association created a committee, of which I became chairman, which secured from Mayor McCfellan \$100,000 for the improvement of that system.

The drainage of the park, so necessary in Central Park, which is all hills or undurant.

Quite a Rain in Alabama

MOBILE, April 5.- The rain which most. The rehabilitation of the soil has been consistently urged by the landscape architect. It was his recommendation that caused the rehabilitation committee to make the investigations and the report that is now before the budget committee.

There was so much local criticism back and forth at the Arsenal during the committee's investigation without the assistance of any june 26, 1900.

MOBILE, April 5—The rain which ended to 8.91 inches several boiler tubes yesterday while several boiler tubes yesterday while going alongside the Quebec Line steam-hours. The highest five minute fall was about half an inch just after 11 P. M., when a wind squall registered a velocity of thirty-five miles from the southwest. The Harbor Supervior's tug mittee's investigation without the assistance of any june 26, 1900.